

Public Dove Hunting Opportunities, 2008-09

Wildlife Management Areas

Bayou Pierre WMA, Red River Parish - 100 ac. sunflower, millet, and 1 year-old winter wheat. *September 6th (opening day) is limited to successful lottery applicants only.*

Big Colewa WMA, West Carroll Parish - 20 ac. sunflower

Boeuf WMA, Caldwell Parish - 60 ac. sunflower and sorghum on Topan tract (north of LA Hwy. 4) and 20 ac. of sorghum and sunflower in Crowe field (south of Duty Ferry).

Buckhorn WMA, Tensas Parish - 30 ac. sunflower and sorghum (intersection of LA Hwy 128 and 573).

Camp Beauregard, Rapides Parish - <10 acres millet.

Elbow Slough WMA, Rapides Parish - 12 acres millet and sorghum. Open Saturdays, Sundays, and Wednesday only - Sept. 6-14 and Oct. 11-Nov. 9. Steel shot size 6 and smaller only. Parking only permitted in parking lot south of Hwy. 3170, next to check-in station. No more than 50 dove hunters at a time will be allowed on opening day.

Loggy Bayou, Bossier Parish, 20 ac. millet, sunflower, oats. *September 6th (opening day) limited to youth hunters only.*

Point Aux Chenes, Pointe Farm Unit, Terrebonne Parish – 100 acres sunflower, millet, milo. Dove hunting allowed entire season, but gate will be open only on Saturdays and Wednesdays. Opening weekend shooting hours are noon to sunset. After opening weekend, shooting hours are ½ hour before sunrise until 12:00 noon. (This field is not available due to hurricane damage.)

Red River WMA, Concordia Parish - 80 ac. Sunflower, millet, and sorghum at Union Point (1 mile north of intersection of LA Hwy 15 and 910) and 70 ac. sunflower and sorghum at Yakey tract (30 miles south of Vidalia and adjacent to LA Hwy 15).

Sandy Hollow WMA, Tangipahoa Parish - North Tract: 40 ac. millet. South Tract: 14 ac. millet. (During 1st split, entire area is open only on Sept. 6 and Sept. 13-14. On Sept. 6, tract north of La. Hwy. 10 is open only to youths younger than 16 and supervising adult. Adults with youth are permitted to hunt.)

Sherburne WMA, Point Coupee Parish, 63 ac. browntop millet (2nd split hunting is usually better on this area, so additional acreage will be cut and prepared for 2nd split)

Floy McElroy WMA, Richland Parish; 20 ac. sunflower. Youth only hunt on September 13 and 14. No hunting at any other time. Only youth 15 years old and under with an accompanying adult will be admitted. Only the youth may hunt. The gate on LA Hwy 137, 2 miles north of Rayville will open at 11:30 a.m. on September 13 and 14. Shooting will be allowed from 12

p.m. to sunset. No ATVs allowed.

Other WMA dove hunting opportunities: Additional opportunities can be found on upland pine dominated WMAs such as West Bay, Jackson-Bienville, Sabine, Bens Creek, and Clear Creek. Doves will often congregate in new clear-cuts to feed on native grass seeds and go at weed.